

at

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6 March 1959

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Mr. Gates Lloyd, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr.
Barnes, Mr. Sheldon, Dr. Kent, [REDACTED]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Referred to the recent situation in [REDACTED] and stated it looked as though we may have been obliged to destroy some of our files but that it would appear the Station had done an outstanding job of handling itself. He requested Mr. Helms to send a "well done" message to [REDACTED]. In connection with destruction of files, Mr. Amory mentioned that there is a newly developed machine for micro-filming papers and files very rapidly and that OCR has just acquired one or two of these machines. He explained that they are very compact and it would seem that they would make desirable standard equipment for any small Station which could, in event of an emergency, rapidly photograph all its files and remove the film to a safe locale with a minimum of effort and danger.

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b. Summarized the results of the talks at the special NSC meeting the previous day concerning the Berlin situation. In this conjunction Mr. Bissell strongly urged that the DCI, at the right time and place, see that a clear intelligence estimate is prepared of the expected results of U. S. proposals which are to be followed. Mr. Bissell expressed the view that it would be most important and most proper for the intelligence community to estimate for the policy-makers the probable reactions of other nations to U. S. proposals and tactics in dealing with the Russians on the Berlin question.

GENERAL CABELL:

Noted that he had been talking to State Department officials with reference to U. S. claims against the Soviets resulting from the shooting down of the C-118 and C-130. He advised that it is present State thinking that they will lump the entire U. S. claim for the two planes into one damage estimate. If there is any change in this view, the State Department has promised to check with the DCI before taking any positive steps.

MR. KIRKPATRICK:

a. Noted that Hugh Cumming has been encountering very serious difficulties in his budget hearings, particularly with Congressman Rooney's subcommittee. One of the pertinent questions being raised pertains to the inclusion in Hugh Cumming's budget of the funds for support of the National Intelligence Survey. The DCI expressed his familiarity with the problem and said that he planned to talk to Congressmen Lipscomb and Minshall of the subcommittee who are planning to come over here for a briefing in the near future.

b. Observed that apparently we will have funds to include the auditorium in the new building, and suggested that we designate it as the Donovan Memorial Auditorium in line with a previous conversation he had with the DCI.

He also stated that he thought it might be worthwhile to explore with Olie Doering in Donovan's law firm the possibilities of establishing a Donovan Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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MR. HELMS:

Expressed deep concern over recent articles which have been appearing in the news describing the dangerous quantities of fall-out and Strontium 90 which is being deposited all over the U. S., and other countries of the world. He commented that although this is not specifically our business, he felt that it would have world-wide serious effects on the general populace if some sort of explanation is not given by competent authority in the near future. Mr. Bissell supported Mr. Helms' views and stated that he knew Dr. Killian also was very much concerned and was taking certain steps within the scientific community to attempt to have some of the recent statements refuted. The Director suggested that he might be able to bring this matter up in the OCB and see if some concerted action could not be taken through that mechanism.

MR. LLOYD:

Stated that he had not yet received, but expected momentarily, the final approval from the GSA on the building bids submitted on 25 February. After some discussion, it was agreed to set up a meeting Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m., in the Director's office at which Messrs. Lloyd, White, Bissell, Amory, and General Cabell will be present to discuss the next step to be taken in conjunction with the new building.

DR. KENT:



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